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# Public Works

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## IBERG ROAD EXTENSION UPDATE

- **Beginning Tuesday, bidding documents for this project will be available.**
- **Bid documents will be available from Oates Associates (618) 345-2200**
- **Bids will be opened on August 6th, 10:00am at City Hall.**

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## Boil Orders (What are they and why are they issued?)

The City of Highland Water Distribution Division, on occasion, will issue a boil water order (boil order). The reason for the order can vary, but most often is issued in response to a problem with the water system which causes a drop in the water pressure, like a break in a water main.

When a boil order is issued it is important for residents in the affected area to boil any water used for drinking or cooking for five (5) minutes prior to use. The order typically will be lifted within 48 hours. Before the order is lifted water samples are taken to the IEPA lab in Collinsville and must have satisfactory results.

Every attempt is made to notify the public in the event of a boil

order being issued. If the order is being issued as the result of scheduled work, door hangers will be placed at least one day prior. In addition a Code Red call may be initiated. However, emergency repairs do not always give us time to make these notifications prior to the order being issued. Every time a boil order is issued an e-mail notification is sent. You can sign up for this notification on the City's website. You may also be notified via the Code Red system if you have signed up for all notifications. Becoming "friends" with the City on Facebook will also help keep you informed on boil orders as well as other happenings in town.

WGEL radio 101.7 fm, in Greenville will make boil order announcements as a public

service. Notifications on lifting of orders are made the same way.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please call the Department of Public Works 654-6823, and we will be happy to assist.



## Tips for Cleaner Water

Fertilizing the lawn, walking the dog, and working on the car are activities that all can have a direct impact on our lake. With storm sewers and runoff we all have an impact on the water we drink.

Here are some simple tips to help keep our water source clean.

- **Use fertilizers sparingly.**

Too much phosphorus will not make your lawn grow better, but the algae and weeds in the lake will.

- **Don't dump yard waste along a lake or stream.**
- **Clean up pet waste to prevent bacteria from washing into the lake.**

- **Recycle used motor oil.**

- **Direct your roof downspouts to your yard where the water can soak in.**
- **Seed bare soil to minimize erosion.**
- **Wash cars on your lawn with a non-phosphate detergent so the soapy water soaks in rather than drain to the storm sewer.**